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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)

SUBJECT : Monthly Report - Status of CIA Headquarters Building Project as of 16 July 1958

1. Monthly Developments (16 June - 16 July 1958)

a. Development of Building Requirements

(1) Methods have been developed by the Building Planning Staff for the accommodation of a number of electronic turnstile installations throughout the building within the limits of available entrance space. IBM will not be able to furnish definite information as to recommended number of turnstiles or cost until the middle of August. However, they have indicated that the cost may run considerably higher than had been anticipated. In view of the time element, work on the building plans is proceeding without provisions for these turnstiles.

(2) Since it now appears that no action will be taken on an extension to the Langley building during this session of Congress no further work is being done on the development of requirements for such an extension.

(3) There have been several discussions with the telephone company about the restricted area telephone system. We expect to receive their cost estimate for this system within a week.

(4) At the time the Steering Committee acted on our staff study on snack bars the General Counsel stated that the matter should be discussed with the Department of Health, Education and Welfare since that department has a responsibility for developing suitable job opportunities for the physically handicapped in government buildings. Accordingly we contacted Mr. Lewis Rives, National Representative, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, and met with him for the purpose of advising him of our needs, the conditions under which they must be met, and the conclusions we had reached. Mr. Rives advised us that it was his Department's practice to consult with the organizations concerned, in this case the Virginia Society for the Visually Handicapped. He proposed that we meet with the President of this Society to see if any proposal might be made that would meet our requirements and also provide opportunity for employment of blind snack bar operators. On 9 July we met

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with Dr. Douglas MacFarland, President of the Virginia Society and explained to him our needs and the conclusions we had reached with respect to the use of vending machines. Dr. MacFarland told us that he would like to consult with his people and discuss the matter with us again at a later date. We told Dr. MacFarland that while there was ample time before the building would be finished, planning requirements made it necessary to reach a conclusion in the near future. We expect to hear from Dr. MacFarland within the next week or ten days as to any proposal he might make with respect to our snack bars. We feel that it is essential that the Agency consider any such proposal so as to avoid being placed in a position where we appear to be taking an arbitrary stand against blind-operated snack bars.

b. Architect-Engineer Services

The Architect-Engineer has submitted plans and specifications for the excavation and foundation work and these have been reviewed by us and by Public Buildings Service. Comments and proposed changes have been forwarded to the A-E and we expect the final plans and specifications by the first of August. This should make it possible to have a contract for this work on or shortly after the first of September.

c. Site Development

(1) Excessive rain during this month has probably lost a week's time for the grading and drainage contractor but in spite of this he has continued to make good progress. Drainage structures provided for in the basic contract are approximately 85 per cent complete. It still appears reasonably probable that this contract will be completed by the first of September.

(2) The National Capital Parks have completed the survey of the property and are now installing monuments. When this is finished arrangements will be made with PBS for the erection of a property line fence around the site. This will be a four foot hog-wire fence.

(3) A contract has been awarded for erection of the security fence around the cleared area of the site at a price of \$36,666. This contractor will not be directed to proceed with the work until sufficient progress has been made by the grading contractor so that the fence can be erected at the proper grade.

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(4) The Bureau of Public Roads has agreed to our use of the Anti-Aircraft Artillery site adjoining our property and the Agency has executed an agreement covering restoration of the AAA site upon completion of the building. It is still necessary to await the processing of papers through the Department of the Army transferring title to the buildings on the site to the BPR before we can actually take possession. Representatives of the Department of the Army have advised us that action has been initiated to transfer this property to BPR.

(5) The Office of Security has contacted PBS with respect to the matter of providing guards during construction of the building. Public Buildings has advised us that they would prefer to contract for guard services rather than employing additional guards whom they would have to release upon completion of the work. The cost will be about the same either way. Representatives of the PBS and OS have met with Region 3 officials and are preparing proposed specifications to be used in contracting for guard service.

d. Off-Site Development

(1) The Virginia Department of Highways has awarded a contract for widening Route 123 between its intersection with the George Washington Memorial Parkway and our site. The contractor has started the work of clearing the right-of-way.

(2) The Virginia Department of Highways is preparing plans for the intersection on Route 123 at the entrance to our site. However, this requires additional engineering work which is expected to be completed by the end of August or early September.

(3) The State has started securing the right-of-way needed for the by-pass from near the entrance to our site, behind the property of Mr. Neal and Senator Kennedy, to approximately the Safeway store at McLean.

(4) We have been advised that the State of Virginia has decided not to proceed with its suit against the Misses Scattergood and Thorne for right-of-way across the property they occupy adjoining Route 123. The reason for this is that the State's Attorneys consider the legal point too involved and the result too uncertain. In addition the decision to construct the by-pass mentioned in paragraph (3) above lessens the immediate need to acquire this right-of-way.

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(5) The Bureau of Public Roads has advised us informally that Maryland will program the construction of the Cabin John Bridge. However, no information is yet available as to the date of construction.

2. Action Required by the Deputy Director (Support)

No action is required by the Deputy Director (Support) at this time.

3. Action Required from the Director of Logistics and Chief, Building Planning Staff

a. Continue working with the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company on the development of the restricted area telephone system.

b. Continue working with the Virginia Society for the Visually Handicapped on the matter of snack bars in the new building.

c. Obtain further information regarding recent request for change in zoning in the Langley area. (Memorandums for the Record on this subject are attached.)

d. Continue liaison with State, County and other Federal agencies in the development of utilities for the new headquarters building.

e. Continue working with the BPS and the Virginia Highway Department on the matter of access to the site for contractors truck traffic.

f. Continue development of the Agency movement plan.

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